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[SENATE FILE No. 179.—RAILWAYS.

A BILL

FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDUCTORS ON STEAM RAILWAYS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :

SECTION 1. All conductors of passenger and freight trains of the steam railways in this State are hereby invested with police powers in this State while on duty on their respective trains, or about the depots and depot grounds of the railroads upon which they are employed.

SEC. 2. Said conductors shall have the authority to arrest with or without warrant any person upon any train or in any depot or depot grounds, who is guilty of using indecent, obscene or profane language, or who plays any game or cards, or any game of chance for money or other valuable thing, or is intoxicated, or is guilty of any disorderly conduct. And the conductor in making any such arrest may call to his assistance any of the railroad employes or by-standers, and it shall be the duty of any such person or persons so called to assist in making such arrest. Upon making any such arrest the conductor shall deliver the person so arrested to any constable or other police officer at the station where arrested, or if the arrest is made upon a running train at the next station reached after the arrest is made, (where a police officer or constable can be found). He shall give to said police officer or constable a written statement of the crime with which the person arrested is charged, and a list of witnesses to substantiate the charge. It shall then be the duty of such police officer or constable to take the person so arrested before the proper justice of the peace that he may have a hearing upon the charge on which he is arrested. Conductors shall receive for making such arrests the same compensation as constables now receive in like cases, to be taxed as part of the costs of the proceeding.